GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1536
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AMENDMENT TO MCI ACT
SUBODH MOHITE

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn towards the news item captioned `MCI sick so babus get to play doctor` appearing in the Indian Express dated September 9, 2002;

(b) if so, facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) whether the Government propose to enact amendment to MCI Act of 1956;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the officials of MCI have been contacted in this regard; and

(f) the reaction of MCI thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (f) There is no proposal with the Central Government, as reported in the news item, for amendment of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 so as to replace the medical professionals in the Medical Council of India with bureaucrats to supervise its functions.